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Re: Enclosed after-final Response and Request for Personal Interview  
U.S. Patent Application No.: 09/574,453  
Attorney Docket No.: FJ-2000-004-US  
Our Reference: MAS.001

Dear Examiner Pham:

Enclosed for filing is an After-final Response to the final Office Action mailed May 19, 2005, in the above-referenced application.

Applicants respectfully **request a personal interview** with the Examiner to discuss the features of the claimed invention and the clear distinctions between the claimed invention and the alleged combination of references. The Examiner respectfully is requested to contact the undersigned attorney to arrange for such an interview at a time which is convenient for the Examiner.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2005, please enter and consider the following remarks:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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